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Filed:	9-17-2001	Group Art Unit:	2627
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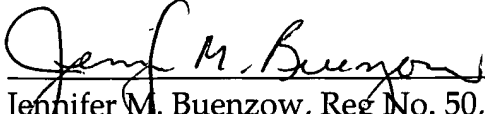
The Applicant thanks the Examiner for the allowance of claims 1-74. The Applicant now submits this response the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance.

The Applicant agrees with the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance to the extent that the claims of the present invention are patentable over the references in the record. The Applicant expressly traverses the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance to the extent that any comment is intended or has the effect of limiting a claim scope, explicitly or implicitly, by not reciting verbatim the respective claim language, or is intended or has the effect of limiting a claim scope by stating or implying that all the reasons for patentability are in any way fully enumerated.

Respectfully submitted,
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